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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Frank Bozzo on 04 April 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

28. (Amended) The method of Claim ~~27~~ 26, wherein deriving a ratio between the infrared absorbance of the sample at at least two wavenumbers includes deriving a ratio between infrared absorbance at around  $3900\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and at around  $900\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

The amendment was deemed necessary because of the cancellation of claim 27.


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher G. Webb whose telephone number is (571) 272-8449. The examiner can normally be reached on 9AM - 5:30PM M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David P. Porta can be reached on (571) 272-2444. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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